

Bugs Activities for Friday

On the Move

Flight of the Bumblebee

Bumblebees are busy insects. Help them reach their destinations quickly by helping them take flight.

Materials:

- Disposable plastic cup
- String
- Paper
- Tape/Glue

Instructions:

1. Construct your bumblebee by cutting out wings and a smiley face from paper.
2. Tape/glue the face onto the bottom of the cup and the wings to one side.
3. Carefully poke a hole through the center of the bottom of the cup using a pencil or knife (the hole can be the nose of your bumblebee)
4. Thread a piece of string through the hole in your bumblebee cup
5. Tape one end of the string to a wall, and the other end on an opposite wall within a reasonable distance (ensure that your child can reach the bumblebee)
6. Instruct your child to help the bumblebee get from one end of the string to the other by holding it and walking/running to the other end
7. Don't forget to ask what sound a bee makes and have them imitate the insect as they play

Adventures Online

All About Bees!

Why are bees important? Let's learn about bees with Caitie!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ft08l9w6lPI>

While learning about bees wait for your child's response or reaction and add words to their expression to give their non-verbal communication meaning.

Sensory Time

Busy Bees

The bees are buzzing. Help them find their hive.

Materials:

- Scrap paper i.e. Sales papers and or magazines. (You may also use plastic bees or insects.)
- Empty bin

Instructions:

1. Have your toddler tear the paper into small pieces, then wad the paper into balls to make "bees"
2. Then have them toss their bees into the empty bin (the bee hive).
3. Talk about what sound bees make and what colors they are, and that they give us honey.

Story Time

PAT it out!

Use PAT strategy with your favorite Bug book

Activity:

POINT to words: Point to illustrations to help children understand key vocabulary
ACT out words: Help children understand important vocabulary by acting out these words
TELL child friendly definition of word: Define key vocabulary using words the children understand

Arts and Creativity

Make a Beehive

Your child can make a beehive with simple household items!

Materials:

- Toilet paper or paper towel roll
- Bubble wrap
- Scissors
- Paint (yellow and orange works best)
- Tray or paper plate
- Paper
- Tape or rubber bands

Instructions:

1. Cut bubble wrap into 3 inch by 3 inch squares.
2. Wrap the bubble wrap around the paper roll and secure it with tape or rubber bands.
3. Add a thin layer of paint to a shallow tray or paper plate.
4. Have your child dip the bubble wrap side of the roll into the paint and “stamp” their paper.
5. Talk to your child about the bees’ home-that they live in a honeycomb or a beehive and make honey.